

REMARKS

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter regarding claims 3-11, 18-24, 27-30, 35-43, 46, 48-55, 58-61, 66-74, and 81-87. Accordingly, Applicant has made the following amendments.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 3, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 1, as new claim 88, and has amended claim 2 and 4-14 to depend from claim 88.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 18, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 16, as new claim 89, and has amended claims 17 and 19-20 to depend from claim 89.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 27, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 25, as new claim 90, and has amended claims 26 and 28-32 to depend from claim 90.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 35, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 33, as new claim 91, and has amended claims 34 and 36-39 to depend from claim 91.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 46, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 92, and has amended claims 45 and 47 to depend from claim 92.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 48, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 93.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 49, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 94, and has amended claim 50 to depend from claim 94.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 51, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 95, and has amended claim 52 to depend from claim 95.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 53, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 96.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 54, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 97.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 55, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 44, as new claim 98.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 58, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 56, as new claim 99, and has amended claims 57 and 59-63 to depend from claim 99.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 66, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 64, as new claim 100, and has amended claims 65 and 67-77 to depend from claim 100.

Applicant has rewritten allowed claim 81, including the elements of corresponding independent claim 79, as new claim 101, and has amended claims 80 and 82-83 to depend from claim 101.

Applicant has canceled rejected claims 1, 16, 25, 33, 44, 56, 64 and 79.

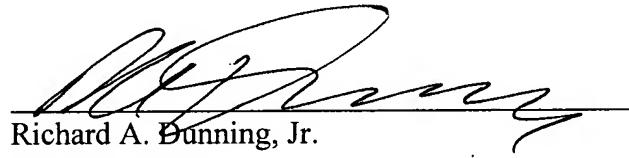
Conclusion

Applicant submits that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, which action is requested. Filed herewith are excess claims fees required by the above amendments.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Richard A. Dunning, Jr., Applicant's Attorney, at 831.420.0561 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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